



ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
8:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m., September 24, 2003
1255 Imperial Avenue
Conference Room 436 – 4th Floor
San Diego, CA 92101

Members Present:

Bob Barrios
Michael Chee
Bob Crouch
Daniel Elkerton
Ruth Heifetz
Carolyn Powers
Bob Shuster
Jerry Spahn
Malcom Vinji

Members Absent:

Rick Gersberg (excused)
David Gomez
Ed Heidig (excused)
Tony Manoguerra (excused)
Richard Leap (excused)

Others Present:

Gary Erbeck
Rich Haas
Mark McPherson
Jack Miller
Mike Dorsey

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Environmental Health Advisory Board (EHAB) meeting was called to order by Chairman Bob Shuster.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Board approved the minutes from the April 23, 2003 meeting.

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

IV. DIRECTOR'S UPDATED/ACTIONS

A. General Remarks

- 1) Gary introduced Jack Miller as the new chief of the Community Health Division.
- 2) Mark McPherson was introduced as the newly promoted chief of Land & Water Quality Division. Mark replaces Jack Miller and transferred from the Department of Public Works, where he supervised the Watershed Protection Program, Stormwater Compliance and Enforcement.
- 3) There are currently three EHAB vacancies: Ed Moore, Restaurant Industry from District 2, resigned; Bruce Morden, State Department of Health, retired; Alan Thum, Public Member, District 3, passed away on May 15, 2003.
- 4) Jack Miller discussed the transfer of the Stormwater program to the Department of Public Works and stated that the ocean water-monitoring program will remain in DEH.

B. DEH Recruitment - Vacancy Report

Richard Haas reported there are currently 12 vacancies. Two positions are currently frozen, but plans are to ultimately fill all of the other positions.

C. West Nile Virus Update

Jack Miller gave a presentation on the County of San Diego's West Nile Virus Strategic Response Plan. EHAB members also received public announcement handouts.

V. NEW BUSINESS/ACTIONS

Brainstorming Session – Items discussed were:

- 1) Discuss current and future performance goals and measures.
- 2) Review and discuss Quarterly report on goals and performance measures.
- 3) Identify issues, evaluate directions and review outcomes.
- 4) Revisit Gregory Canyon.
- 5) Send reports to members e.g. policy issues, drafts of white paper, solid waste issues, etc.
- 6) Request a presentation from the Department of Public Works regarding solid waste.
- 7) Twelve month meeting calendar.
- 8) Change meeting to the 4th Wednesday of the month.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

NEXT MEETING:

**Wednesday, October 22, 2003 - 8:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.
Conference Room 436 – 4th Floor, James R. Mills Building
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